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APPLICANT: Soutar et al.

EXAMINER: B. Talbot

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LETTER REGARDING CLAIMS BEING APPEALED

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Notice of Appeal filed concurrently herewith lists claims 1-18, 20-26 and 34-44 as being the subject of this Appeal. The Advisory Action, however, notes that claims 1, 3-7, 10-16, 21-26 and 34-43 are rejected, and makes no mention of claims 2, 8, 9, 17, 18, 20 and 44.

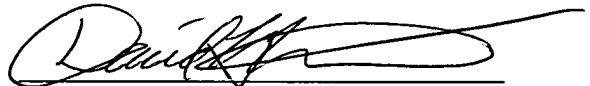
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The applicant's undersigned attorney contacted the Examiner, Brian K. Talbot, on August 19, 1998 to discuss the difference. Examiner Talbot agreed that the Advisory Action was in error, and that it should have listed claims 1-18, 20-26 and 34-44 as being rejected. Thus, the Appeal is intended to include each of these still pending claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing with the Patent Office are the following documents:

1. Notice of Appeal from the Primary Examiner to The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences;
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3. Letter regarding claims being appealed; and
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